

Natural Resource Agency Task Force Ground-Rules (adopted 5/28 and *updates suggested for July 7))

Share the Air Time, One Person at a Time (refrain from side conversations)

Share information, experience, feelings

Look for “interests” that may underlie “positions”

Ask why, Explain why (you feel as you do, you reached the conclusion you have...)

Disagree respectfully

Attend to time and topic

Speak your own “truth” about your experience as a Task Force Member; refrain from characterizing the experience or positions of others

Refer questions by the media to the co-chairs and meeting summaries on website

***Materials will not be sent to FYI mailing list prior to distribution/discussion at task force meeting**

Try to keep from judging and deciding before the full process has played out
(don’t reject ideas out of hand)

***Additional background materials and information may be requested by task force members through the co-chairs, who will consider relevance and available staff time in responding**

Proposal for how the Task Force will make decisions (adopted 5/28):

We will work very hard to reach consensus for all decisions and recommendations.

In the event this is not possible, the task force will talk through alternatives for conveying the sense of the group.